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MS PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): KANEKO, Hideyuki; MATSUGI, Tomoaki; KOJOH, Shin-ichi MATSUO, Shingo; KAWAHARA, Nobuo

and KASHIWA, Norio

For: MULTI-BRANCHED POLYMER, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE

SAME, AND APPLICATIONS THEREOF

Enclosed are:

\boxtimes	Α	specification	consisting	of	Two	hundred	and	twenty-four
	(2	24) pages						

Sixteen (16) sheet(s) of formal drawings

Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27

Applicant does not claim priority

Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No(s). 2003-069467; 2003-069468; 2003-069466;





March 14, 2003.

Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.

Certified copy(ies) will follow.

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Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee

Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

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		TOTAL	\$1,240.00	\$0.00

- The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- A check in the amount of \$1,240.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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